

Historic District Commission Minutes

Thursday February 4, 2021

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The meeting was called to order by Chairman Leshar at 3:00 pm. Kimberly Weller was present monitoring the virtual meeting, the following members were present: Walda DuPriest, Glenn Fong, Jim Fulton, and staff Kim Shellem. Lesley Potter was not in attendance.

OPENING STATEMENT

Chairman Leshar determined a quorum was present, he then read the opening statement into the record and swore in persons intending to testify.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Leshar noted that the minutes of January 7th was distributed in advance of the meeting. Chairman Leshar moved to approve the minutes of January 7th, 2021 as submitted, seconded by Member Fulton, and passed on a voice vote of 4:0 in favor.

Election of officers was delayed to the end of the meeting.

HD-21-721

Crab Claw

304 Burns Street

Representing the applicant, Wayne Bridges is seeking approval to replace 3 casement windows with Marvin custom casement windows and replace pavilion roof with Master Rib metal roof panels.

Chairman Leshar noted the property is valued as a “E” on the National Register Map finding a lenient standard of review appropriate. Members concurred.

There was no public comment.

Member Fulton cited Chapter 5 Doors & Windows page 15, and Chapter 6 Roofs Page 18 of the guidelines.

Member Fulton made a motion to approve application HD-21-721 as submitted. Motion seconded by Member Fong and carried on a vote of 4:0 in favor.

HD-21-722

Alain Menguy 6’ Fence

Irmina Tan

201 Carpenter Street

Applicants are seeking approval to install a 6’ tall, dog-eared wood (no spaced pickets) fence to the 3 sides of the property.

Chairman Leshar noted the property is valued as a “B” on the National Register Map finding a strict standard of review appropriate. Members concurred.

It was noted that the property is adjacent to the Marina thus 6’ tall fence is appropriate for screening purposes.

There was no public comment.

Chairman Leshar cited Chapter 12 Fences page 25 of the guidelines.

Member Fong made a motion to approve application HD-21-722 as submitted. Motion seconded by Member DuPriest and carried on a vote of 4:0 in favor.

HD-21-723

Brian Moore 4’ Fence

200 E. Chestnut St.

Applicant is seeking approval to replace a deteriorated wood picket fence with a 4’ tall, wood colonial gothic picket fence.

Chairman Leshar noted the property is valued as a “B” on the National Register Map and in the Historic St. Michaels by Elizabeth Hughes, page 96 (circa 1860) finding a strict standard of review appropriate. Members concurred. The proposed 4’ height of the fence was discussed. There was no public comment. Chairman Leshar cited Chapter 12 Fences page 25 of the guidelines. Member DuPriest made a motion to approve application HD-21-723 as submitted. The motion was seconded by Member Fulton and carried on a vote of 4:0 in favor.

As CBMM is Mr. Leshar’s employer, he recused himself and left the zoom meeting. Vice Chair Fulton commenced with the review of application HD-19-663 Addendum1.

HD-19-663Addendum 1 Revised roofline design, snow guards & bollard/ post/rope line
CBMM Curatorial Building
Maritime Museum Road

Lauren Dianich of Atelier11 is seeking approval for a design change to the approved HD-19-663: removal of the cupola, addition of snow guards on the entry side of the roof, and a bollard (6” by 6”) post with roping installed at the entrance near the sidewalk.

Vice Chair Fulton noted the property is valued as a “E” on the National Register Map finding a lenient standard of review appropriate. Members concurred.

Member Fulton asked if the removal of the cupola was due to height restrictions. Ms. Dianich said it was a financial decision. She clarified that the snow guards finish matched that of the roofing material and the proposed bollard, if needed was for safety concerns. Member Fong made a motion to approve application HD-19-663Addednum1 as submitted with the caveat that the expired Certificate (9.5.2019) is extended from the original approval date. Motion seconded by Member duPriest and carried on a vote of 3:0 in favor.

Member Leshar rejoined the meeting.

MATTERS FROM COMMISSION AND STAFF: Member Fulton opened the discussion of the drafted document. §340:34 Demolition by Neglect. Members were in support of the changes. It was agreed to hold a public workshop and upon completion forward to the Commissioners for approval.

Member Fulton made a motion to elect Pete Leshar as Chairman; motion seconded by Member Fong and carried on a vote of 3:0 in favor.

Member Fong made a motion to elect Jim Fulton as Vice Chair; motion seconded by Member DuPriest and carried on a vote of 3:0 in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 4:10.

Minutes approved as submitted on a vote of ____ in favor on 4th day of March 2021.

Pete Leshar, Chairman